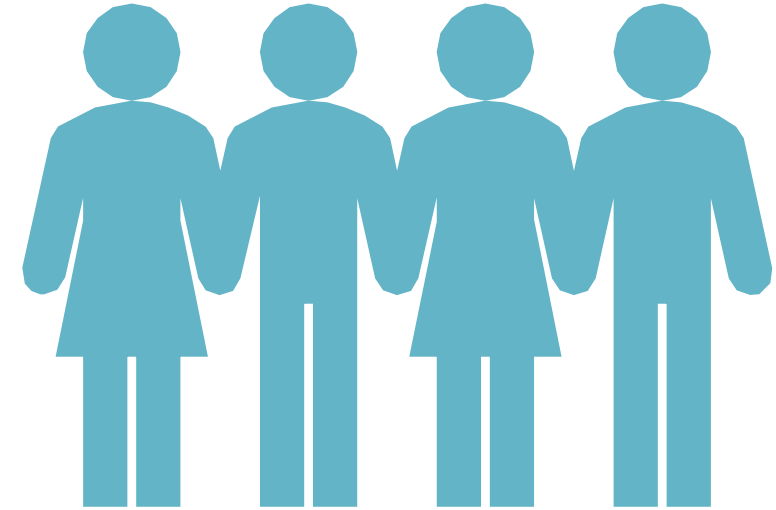


**Fostering Success Fund:
Partnerships for Reducing Law
Enforcement Involvement
AB 1811
Webinar**

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BACKGROUND

- AB 1811 tasked the Department of Social Services to allocate funds to **chosen lead agencies developing programs** specific to AB 1811's goals.
- The Budget Act of 2018 **appropriated a total of \$4 million General Fund** statewide for the purpose of providing training and community-based, culturally relevant, trauma-informed services in order to reduce law enforcement involvement with residential facilities.



Who's Eligible?	Who's Not Eligible?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• County child welfare departments• County probation• County public health departments• Private non-profit community-based organizations with experience providing social and mental health services to youth and families	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Licensed Group Homes• Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Programs• Transitional Shelter Care Facilities• Temporary Shelter Care Facilities

PURPOSE OF FUNDING

- To **improve outcomes** for **at-risk youth**.
- Increase collaboration with **local organizations, agencies, providers, and community groups**.
- To rely on **trauma-informed interventions** prior to law enforcement contact.

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Trauma

Traumatic experiences lead to frequent law enforcement involvement.

Youth

Youth in foster care are especially vulnerable to being referred to law enforcement for low-level offenses.

ACES

Reducing exposure to Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) reduces youth involvement in crime.

PLAN REQUIREMENTS

- To be considered for this funding, the plan shall provide evidence for all of the following:
 - Braided or matching county funds of at least 25 percent (i.e. Medi-Cal specialty mental health, Mental Health Services Act, SB 855 funding, etc.).
 - A memorandum of understanding (MOU) with local law enforcement assuring law enforcement participation in the training and diversion protocols. A plan that does not include a direct MOU with law enforcement may be considered but plans that include the MOU will have priority for funding.
 - Direct coordination and integration of services with identified residential facilities. This coordination should include options for community referrals and community interventions that do not include contacting law enforcement.
 - Youth educational and well-being outcome measures developed in coordination with the Department of Social Services.



REFERENCES



Reduction in the Frequency of Law Enforcement Involvement at Residential Facilities:

[ACIN I-68-18](#)




Requirements for Trauma-Informed Core Services and Training for Short-Term Therapeutic Programs (STRTPs) and Foster Family Agencies (FFAs):

[ACIN I-28-18](#)

UPDATED TIMELINES*

- Request for Information (RFI) will be released late March.
- RFI due late April.
- Additional information and dates will be provided on the Continuum of Care Reform [website](#) once the RFI is released.

*These dates are subject to change. In addition, due to shifting timelines, the Department is unable to provide additional dates at this time.





Q & A

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